

# SAN FRANCISCO BAY CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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**TO:** Commissioners and Alternates

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**SUBJECT:** **Listing of Pending Administrative Matters**  
(For Commission consideration on December 5, 2013)

This report lists the administrative matters that are pending with the Commission. *Due to the cancellation of the meeting of December 5, 2013, and pursuant to Commission Regulation Section 10620(a), the Executive Director will take final action on these matters unless a Commissioner requests full Commission consideration by communicating with the staff prior to December 5, 2013. In the absence of such a request, the listed matters will be executed administratively on or after December 5, 2013.*

## Administrative Permits and Federal Consistency Actions

The following administrative permit application has been filed and is presently pending with the Commission. The Executive Director will take the action indicated on the matter unless the Commission determines that it is necessary to hold a public hearing.

**Applicant:** United Pacific Railroad (UPRR)  
33 Bridgehead Road  
City of Martinez, California 94553

**BCDC Permit Application No. M2013.016.00**

Filed: 11/19/13  
90th Day: 02/17/14

**Location:** In the Bay and within the 100-foot shoreline band, at UPRR Milepost 26.3 (Martinez Subdivision) located approximately ¼ mile east of the C&H Sugar Plant, in the Town of Crockett, Contra Costa County.

**Description:** Repair a storm-damaged revetment protecting railroad facilities by doing the following:

**In the Bay**

1. Repair the revetment by replacing rock rip-rap and associated materials over an approximately 600-square-foot area.

**Within the 100-Foot Shoreline Band**

1. Replace an approximately 500-square-foot section of gravel walkway and repair the revetment by replacing rock rip-rap and associated materials over an approximately 400-square-foot area.

The project would result in approximately 500 cubic yards of rock rip-rap fill in the Bay over a 600-square-foot area. The project would not impact or provide public access to the Bay.

*Tentative Staff Position: Recommend Approval.* (Jaime Michaels, 415-352-3613 or jaimem@bcdc.ca.gov)



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**Applicants:** Vincent Griego  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
2800 Cottage Way  
Sacramento, CA 95825

**AND**

Becky Victorine  
U.S. Bureau of Reclamation  
801 I Street, Suite 140  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**BCDC Consistency Determination No. C2013.005**

Filed: 09/23/13  
75th Day: 12/17/13

**Location:** In Suisun Bay and the primary management area of the Suisun Marsh.

**Description:** The proposed project is implementation of the *Suisun Marsh Habitat Management, Preservation, and Restoration Plan* (SMP), a 30-year comprehensive plan designed to address various conflicts regarding competing uses of Suisun Marsh resources. The focus of the Plan is to achieve an acceptable multi-stakeholder approach to the restoration of tidal wetlands and the management of managed wetlands and their functions. The SMP was developed by a set of Suisun Principal Agencies (or Principals): U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation), California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), California Department of Water Resources (DWR), National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), Suisun Resource Conservation District (SRCD), and CALFED Bay-Delta Program (CALFED). The SMP will be implemented by the Suisun Resource Conservation District, private landowners, the Department of Water Resources, and the Department of Fish and Wildlife. The SMP addresses how restoration and managed wetland activities affect habitats and ecological process, public and private land use, levee system integrity, and water quality. The SMP is intended to be a flexible, science-based, management plan for managed wetlands in the Primary Management Area of the Suisun Marsh.

The project seeks to balance the benefits of tidal wetland restoration with other habitat uses in the Marsh. The plan anticipates Marsh-wide land use changes to promote such benefits as salt marsh harvest mouse habitat, improved management of managed wetlands, increased public recreational use, and enhanced upland habitat. SMP implementation will rely on the incorporation of existing science and information developed through adaptive management. The SMP is also intended to address the full range of issues in the Marsh, which are linked geographically, ecologically, and ideologically. Many of these issues have been recognized in other planning documents, such as the 2000 CALFED Record of Decision, and the 2005 Revised Suisun Marsh Preservation Agreement (SMPA) between DFW, DWR, Reclamation, and SRCD that is intended to mitigate the salinity impacts in the Marsh related to State Water Project and Central Valley Project operations, and other upstream diversions.

The SMP addresses these issues by providing a framework for how restoration and managed wetland activities will be implemented. The SMP also addresses levee integrity, water quality, and recreation. The elements of the SMP are: (1) restoration of tidal wetlands; (2) continued implementation of current managed wetland activities; (3) implementation of new managed wetland activities; (4) implementation of environmental commitments for both restoration

and managed wetland activities such as sets of Best Management Practices and various protective plans; and (5) implementation of adaptive management and the SMPA Preservation Agreement Implementation Fund (PAI Fund).

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and U.S. Bureau of Reclamation have determined that the Suisun Marsh Habitat Management, Preservation, and Restoration Plan is consistent, to the maximum extent practicable, with the enforceable policies of the Commission's Amended Coastal Management Program for San Francisco Bay because of its potential benefits to Bay and Suisun Marsh ecosystems. Under the SMP, the habitat functions and water quality of tens of thousands of acres of land would be improved, and additional tidal marsh would be created to benefit special status species. Implementation of the SMP will address the varying use conflicts of the Marsh and facilitate a cooperative approach to restoration and management among responsible agencies in the Marsh should lead to an overall healthier marsh.

*Tentative Staff Position: Recommend Approval.* (Joe LaClair) [415/352-3656 or joel@bcdcc.ca.gov]

### Regionwide Permits

The Executive Director has issued the following regionwide permits since the last listing.

**Applicant:** Alameda Municipal Power  
2000 Grand Street  
P.O. Box H  
Alameda, California 94501

**BCDC Regionwide Permit No. NOI.2013.013**

Filed: 11/05/13

14<sup>th</sup> Day: 11/19/13

Permit Issued: 11/06/13

**Location:** In the Bay, below the mud line beneath the Oakland-Alameda Estuary, between the City of Alameda and Coast Guard Island, Alameda County.

**Description:** Install, use, and maintain approximately 1,174 feet of three-to-six-inch-in-diameter conduit for electrical and communication cables 60 feet below the maximum dredge limits of the bed of the Oakland Estuary.

(Erik Buehmann, 415-352-3645 or erikb@bcdcc.ca.gov)

**Applicants:** Cameron Holland and Ryan McKinley  
2925 Marina Drive  
Alameda, California 94501

**BCDC Regionwide Permit No. NOI.2013.015**

Filed: 11/12/13

14<sup>th</sup> Day: 11/26/13

Permit Issued: 11/13/13

**Location:** Within the 100-foot shoreline band, at 2925 Marina Drive in the City of Alameda, Alameda County.

**Description:** Renovate a single-family residence by demolishing 420 square feet from the northern side of the structure and replacing the demolished structure with a new 537-square-foot addition, increasing the area of the northern side of residence by 117 square feet, and constructing a new 17-square-foot addition to the southern side of the home.

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